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The following President's Act is published for general information:—

THE ANDHRA PRADESH MUNICIPALITIES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1973

NO. 16 OF 1973

Enacted by the President in the Twenty-fourth Year of the Republic of India.

An Act further to amend the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965.

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Andhra Pra-
8 of 1973. desh State Legislature (Delegation of Powers) Act, 1973, the President is pleased to enact as follows:—

Short title and Commencement.

1. (*1*) This Act may be called the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities (Amendment) Act, 1973.

6 of 1965. (*2*) It shall come into force at once.

Amendment of section 7.

2. In section 7 of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965, after sub-section (*2*), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:—

"(*2A*) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, every Special Officer appointed, under sub-section (*1*) read with sub-section (*6*), on or after the 1st day of October, 1972, to any municipality in the State, shall cause arrangements for election to be made to that municipality so that the elected councillors thereof may come into office on such date, within a period of two years from the date of appointment of the said Special Officer, as may be specified by the Government by an order made in this behalf.".

V. V. GIRI,
President.

K. K. SUNDARAM,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Reasons for the enactment

Municipalities in the State of Andhra Pradesh are now being administered by Special Officers appointed by the State Government under sub-section (1) read with sub-section (6) of section 7 of the Andhra Pradesh Municipalities Act, 1965 (Andhra Pradesh Act, 6 of 1965). Under the proviso to sub-section (2) of section 7 of the Act, the Government have to fix the date for the elected Councillors to come into office in such a way as not to exceed one year from the date of appointment of Special Officer. All the Special Officers functioning at present will cease to hold their offices on 1st October, 1973, the date fixed by the Government for the elected Councillors to come into office.

2. The present financial position of the municipalities in the State is such as not to permit the conduct of elections before the expiry of the said date. Further, it is also proposed to amend the Act so as to provide for the direct election of Chairman of the Municipal Council instead of the present system of indirect election by the Councillors. It will take some more time to amend the Act for the purpose.

3. It is, therefore, considered necessary to empower the State Government to continue the Special Officers for a total period not exceeding two years from the date of their appointment so that the elected Councillors of the respective municipalities may come into office by then.

4. This legislative measure is intended to achieve the above objects.

5. In view of the urgency of the matter, it is not practicable to consult the Consultative Committee on Andhra Pradesh legislation constituted under the Andhra Pradesh (Delegation of Powers) Act, 1973. The measure is accordingly being enacted without reference to the Consultative Committee.

A. N. KIDWAI,

Secy. to the Govt. of India,
Min. of Works and Housing.

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